COCHIN STATE LABOUR FORCES

447. Mr. M. K. Raja *(Mulakunnathukavu)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) when the recruitment to the Cochin State Labour Forces was started,

(*b*) the total number of labourers recruited from the start till the discontinuance of the recruitment;

(*c*) the number, if any, of subjects of Br. India and Travancore State who have served in the Units;

(d) the number of labourers who have died or have been disabled during service,

(*e*) the total amount of compensation paid to the relatives of the dead and to the disabled labourers; and

(*f*) the total expenses incurred by the Government of Cochin in this form of its war effort?

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Chief Secretary to Government)*:

(a) The recruitment commenced in April 1942.

(*b*) Ninety-two thousand and five hundred labourers (in round figures) were recruited into the Cochin Labour Forces.

(*c*) A very small percentage of the labourers belonged to Malabar District or Travancore.

(d) There were 609 deaths among the labourers and 242 disability cases.

(*e*) Rs. 4,60,704 as on 10th January 1946.

(*f*) Nil. All the expenses were met by the Government of India.

NEW KURIES—STARTING OF

448. Mr. C. S. Panicker *(Adur)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) how many application for the starting of new Kuries have been received;

(*i*) from limited companies.

(*ii*) from institutions and

(*iii*) from individuals after the commencement of the Kuri Restriction Act XII of 1120;

(*b*) what is the total sala or face value under each head;

(*c*) how many application were sanctioned and how many rejected;

(d) how many applications were there offering 75% of in sala as security for starting new Kuries;

(*e*) how many of these were given sanction and how many rejected;

(*f*) the reason for not sanctioning the kuries when 75% of the face value is offered as security;

(*g*) state in tabular form the name of the companies, institutions and individuals to whom kuries have been sanctioned as well as those to whom sanction was rejected with the total sala in each case?

Mr. B. V. K. Menon *(Secretary to Government)*:

(*a*) (*i*) 37
(*ii*) 12 and
(*iii*) 5

		Rs.	*A.*	*P.*
(*b*) Limited Companies	..	2,65,185	0	0
Institutions	..	62,685	0	0
Individuals	..	11,593	8	0

(*c*) Applications sanctioned 38
Do. rejected 8

(*d*) 1

(*e*) 1 (sanctioned).

(*f*) Does not arise.

(*g*) The information called for is appended *(Please see Appendix II)*.

LOCATION OF ARRACK AND TODDY SHOPS

449. Mr. V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan *(Oorakam)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) is there a rule that arrack shops and toddy shops should be located at a specified distance from the main road; if so what is the distance;

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